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## CLAIMS

## What is claimed is:

- 1. An implantable device comprising a plurality of detachment junctions, wherein each junction is cleaved by the application of a different wavelength of electro-magnetic radiation.
  - 2. The device of claim 1, wherein the electro-magnetic radiation is light.
  - 3. The device of claim 1, wherein one or more junctions comprise a shape memory polymer.
  - 4. The device of claim 2, wherein one or more junctions further comprise one or more dyes or pigments.
  - 5. The device of claim 1, wherein the implantable device comprises a vaso-occlusive coil.
  - 6. The device of claim 1, wherein the implantable device comprises a stent.
    - 7. The device of claim 1, wherein the implantable device comprises a filter.
    - 8. The device of claim 2, wherein the light is visible light.
    - 9. The device of claim 2, wherein the light is non-visible light.
    - 10. An assembly for use in delivering an implantable device comprising
    - (a) an implantable device according to claim 1; and

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- (b) a deployment mechanism.
- 11. The assembly of claim 10, wherein the deployment mechanism comprises one or more electro-magnetic radiation transmitting devices.
- 12. The assembly of claim 11, wherein the electro-magnetic radiation transmitting device comprises one or more fiber optic cables.
- 13. The assembly of claim 11, wherein the electro-magnetic radiation transmitting device comprises one or more light-transmitting fluids.
  - 14. The assembly of claim 11, wherein the electro-magnetic radiation transmitting device comprises one or more light-transmitting wires.
- 15. The assembly of claim 11, wherein the implantable device comprises a vaso-occlusive coil.
  - 16. The assembly of claim 11, wherein the implantable device comprises a stent.
- 20 17. The assembly of claim 11, further comprising
  - (d) a source of electro-magnetic radiation attached to the delivery mechanism.
  - 18. The assembly of claim 17, wherein the electro-magnetic radiation is light.
- 25 19. The assembly of claim 18, wherein the light source comprises a laser.